

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 365
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A RESOLUTION to honor Circuit Court Judge John A. Turnbull of Livingston.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor those worthy citizens who have given unreservedly of themselves to their profession, as well as to this state; and

WHEREAS, Circuit Court Judge John A. Turnbull of Livingston is one such outstanding individual who has been named by the Tennessee Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates as its first Judge of the Year honoree; and

WHEREAS, a man of purpose and commitment, Judge Turnbull has served his community and Tennessee by means of his astute service as a Judge of the 13th Judicial District, representing the good people of Overton, Putnam, Pickett, Clay, Cumberland, White and DeKalb counties; and

WHEREAS, a 1966 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law, Judge Turnbull practiced law in Livingston for over 22 years, and has served on the Board of Governors of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association for 14 years, including his exemplary tenure as TTLA president in 1983; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Tennessee Bar Foundation and ABOTA, John Turnbull has been active in the Tennessee Judicial Conference, lending his time and considerable talent as chairman of the Bench/Bar Relations Committee and the Tennessee Pattern Jury

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Instructions Committee, of which he helped prepare the first Tennessee jury instructions on comparative fault; and

WHEREAS, Judge Turnbull has made numerous informative presentations on comparative fault to judges, attorney groups and the combined judiciary committees of the Tennessee House of Representatives and the Senate; and

WHEREAS, he also serves with acumen as an instructor at the Tennessee Judicial Academy and is a founding member of the Tennessee Supreme Court Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, John Turnbull evinces his devout faith as a member of the First Christian Church in Livingston, where he has taught a Bible study class for nearly 30 years; and

WHEREAS, his many honors and accolades aside, Judge Turnbull is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his beloved wife of 32 years, Delores, their three children, Amy Hollars, Karen Wolfram and John M. Turnbull, and four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, it is not often that a man of John Turnbull's stature walks among us, and it is important that he be so duly recognized for his alacritous works; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate Judge John A. Turnbull on his being named the 1997 Judge of the Year by the Tennessee Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Judge Turnbull with this final clause omitted from such copy.